

INTRODUCED: 06/23/2014

REFERRED TO: Committee of the Whole

SPONSOR: Councillors Gray, Oliver, Lewis, Robinson, Osili and Brown

DIGEST: recognizes Patricia Ann Payne for fifty-two years of service, commitment and dedication to the Indianapolis Public Schools system

SOURCE:

Initiated by: Councillor Gray

Drafted by: SaRita Puckett, Assistant Clerk of the Council

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADOPTION:

Subject to approval or veto by Mayor

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:

Adoption and approvals

GENERAL COUNSEL APPROVAL: _____

Date: June 19, 2014

CITY-COUNTY SPECIAL RESOLUTION NO. , 2014

A SPECIAL RESOLUTION recognizing Patricia Ann Payne for fifty-two years of service, commitment and dedication to the Indianapolis Public Schools system.

WHEREAS, Patricia Ann Payne is the oldest daughter of Rufus and Susie Myers, and a sister to Rufus, Jr., Rodric and Roxanne. Ms. Payne is an ordained Elder and member of Witherspoon Presbyterian Church. She is a devoted wife to Jerome, mother to Kristie King and grandmother to Michael and Myles; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Payne attended Indianapolis Public Schools (IPS) Nos. 63, 36, and 87, and graduated from Shortridge High School. She earned her Bachelor's degree from Indiana University (IU), and her Masters degree and Administrative License from Indiana University Purdue University-Indianapolis (IUPUI), as well as an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Martin University; and

WHEREAS, in 1962, Ms. Payne began her career with IPS, where she has been employed for 52 years. She has taught primary students at IPS Nos. 29, 36 and 61; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the movement to infuse Black History into the IPS curriculum, Ms. Payne was given a special assignment to design and direct the IPS Office of African Central Multicultural Education in 1987. She later served as the Director of the Crispus Attucks Museum of African American History, which opened in 1998 on the Crispus Attucks Medical Magnet High School campus; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Payne has studied around the world including Israel, Palestine and Egypt, Nigeria. She was able to participate in the studies through grants and scholarships from DePauw University, the Asa G. Hilliard Road Scholar Tour and the Jewish Community Council; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Payne has received numerous awards, appointments and recognitions, which include, but are not limited to the following: a nomination for Teacher of the Year; the Trailblazer Award from the Kennedy King Memorial Initiative; the Distinguished Alumni Award from IU; the Julia Carson Community Service Award; the Living Legend Award from Community Action of Greater Indianapolis; the Putting Your Faith on the Line and Educational Excellence Awards from the Indiana Black Expo; the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Indianapolis Professional Association; and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Human Rights Award for Leadership in Education from the Indianapolis Education Association. Ms. Payne presently serves as a member of the Indianapolis/Marion County Public Library Board of Trustees; now, therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY-COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS AND OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA:

SECTION 1. The Indianapolis City-County Council proudly recognizes Patricia Ann Payne for fifty-two years of service, commitment and dedication to the Indianapolis Public Schools.

SECTION 2. The Council extends its appreciation and gratitude to Mrs. Payne and wishes her a relaxing retirement and continued success in her future endeavors.

SECTION 3. The Mayor is invited to join in this resolution by affixing his signature hereto.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon adoption and compliance with IC 36-3-4-14.

The foregoing was passed by the City-County Council this _____ day of _____, 2014, at _____ p.m.

ATTEST:

Maggie A. Lewis
President, City-County Council

NaTrina DeBow
Clerk, City-County Council

Presented by me to the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.

NaTrina DeBow
Clerk, City-County Council

Approved and signed by me this _____ day of _____, 2014.

Gregory A. Ballard, Mayor